

Department of Energy

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The Honorabie Phillip Muller Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade Republic of the Marshall Islands Majuro, Marshall Islands 96960

Dear Minister Muller:

I am pleased to forward the enclosed report published by the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory (LLNL) entitled "Utirik Atoll Dose Assessment." It is based on extensive environmental sampling data from soil, air. drinking water, and marine and terrestial food sources collected in 1993 and 1994. Radiation dose estimates based on a diet, including imported food, are calculated for residents living on Utirik in 1998 and projected to the year 2068.

The report is publicly available on the Office of International Health Program's website (www.eh.doe.gov/ihp). Questions regarding the report may be directed to Dr. William Robison. LLNL, the principal author, at 510-422-3885.

Sincerely,

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